Psalm 106:1 "O give thanks to the Lord for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!"



# LETTERS OF THE MONTH:

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## November At A Glance

#### November 2nd & 3rd

• Spirit Wear Days

**November 5th** 

• Remember to set your clocks back 1 Hour!

#### November 9th & 10th

- NJ Teacher's Convention No School November 13th-17th
- Parent Teacher Conference Week November 16th & 17th
- Thanksgiving Feasts

#### November 22nd - 24th

- Thanksgiving Holiday No school November 27th
- Sign ups begin at 8 a.m. for next year's classes
  - (Current students only on this date)

#### Registration for 2024 - 2025

Pre-registration for current RCS students: Monday, November 27th through Friday, December 1st. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. on November 27th in person as the registration forms are able to be downloaded a few days before. This is in order to make it fair for all interested parents who wanted to try to secure a spot for their child next year. We will have classes based on enrollment interest and cannot guarantee that all will be able to place their child in their first choice of class. Registration is on a first come first choice of class and is in-person only, NOT ONLINE! Please take a number from the table outside the double red doors and wait to be called into the Fellowship Hall once registration begins at 8 am. After November 27th, if you have not registered your child yet for next year but wish to do so, please send in your registration form along with your deposit to secure your child's placement. After this we will open registration to the public as of December 4th.

### **Director's Note**

This wonderful time of year, the Thanksgiving season, is a great time to show our RCS little ones that with all the happenings in the world, happy days as well as "sad" days with sickness, natural disasters, conflicts amongst groups of people, we know that we can rely on God to be there with us through it all. It is such a comforting feeling that God helps us each day and we love to teach our children at RCS that He is always there to listen to us, and He never leaves us but is "in our hearts".

Thanksgiving is an especially important time to show our RCS little ones that it is wonderful to give to others and help make someone's life brighter by helping whenever we can. For this, we love to once again collect donations of food for families in Roxbury who are in need of assistance. I am always so happy each year to bring overflowing shopping carts of food from donations made by RCS families to Roxbury Social Services. We tell the children that we are blessed to have clothes to wear, homes to live in, food to eat, and families to love. It is important that our children learn to help others in need by our examples shown to them! It is a wonderful feeling to help others!

The RCS classes will gather at our "Thanksgiving Feasts" to share a meal (small treats made by each class) and hear the story of the First Thanksgiving in Plymouth Massachusetts with the Native Americans and Pilgrims. It is so great to bring our children together to celebrate!

We wish everyone a blessed Thanksgiving with your own families.

 <u>Some details for November</u> <u>Activities are as follows:</u>

**PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE**: Nov. 13th-17th You will be assigned a 15 minute conference time to talk with your child's teacher. Please let us know if you cannot be here for your scheduled time. Phone conferences can be done if you are unable to come in. We know that being here during the weekday is not always possible. This is a nice visit to connect with your child's teacher.

**SPIRIT WEAR DAYS**: Nov. 2nd & 3rd Show your school spirit by wearing your RCS spirit wear or blue to school!

**THANKSGIVING FEASTS**: Nov. 16th & 17th The children come in our "Life Center" (gym) and sit at long tables, together, to hear the story of the First Thanksgiving with the Pilgrims and Native Americans. We say grace and enjoy our "feast" as each child is dressed as a Pilgrim or Native American. This is a wonderful time to acknowledge God's blessings to all of us!

\*Please note this is a student only event.

#### **Reminders to Parents**

\*Birthday Parties – You are welcome to send a fun snack (nut free) in with your child to share. Please check with your child's teacher to choose a date. Below are suggestions for nut free candy and snacks, please feel free to use these suggestions: (\*\*Dunkin Donuts are not considered "nut free".) Cheese and crackers, Nabisco Teddy Grahams, Goldfish, Oreo Cookies, Ice Cream/popsicle, Rice Crispy Treats, Sliced Fruit, Sliced Vegetables, Jell–O and Jell–O Instant Pudding Cups. PLEASE READ LABELS. There may be other products that are safe.

\* Labeling – All clothing (coats, hats, gloves, etc.) should be clearly labeled.

\* Change of Clothing – Please make sure your child has an extra set of "weather appropriate" clothing at school in case of emergencies/spills. (Please include socks and underwear).

\* RCS Website – www.redeemerchristianschool.com Please check our website to view our calendar and school news.

\* Facebook – Be sure to LIKE us on Facebook– We occasionally post photos of school events!



RCS Reaches Out!

Roxbury Food Pantry - In the spirit of Thanksgiving and helping others, we will be collecting donations of food (anything canned, boxed, bottled (plastic), & (bagged) for families in Roxbury who are in need of assistance. These items can be sent in your child's tote bag if you wish to help. We would like to drop off the donations on Friday, November 17th. Thank you so much in advance!

# **RCS Fundraising Information**

Thank you to all our parents, families, friends and RCS staff that supported our Fundraiser events this Fall. Fundraising is such an important activity here at RCS. The profits from each of the fundraisers allow the school to do improvements and updates in the classroom, fund fun activities for our students and families, and most importantly go towards purchasing all the required school supplies for our students to use in class!

A HUGE thank you goes to our Fundraising Chairperson, Kim Taylor. Kim led a successful Mum and Spirit wear sales. She is now leading our Gertrude Hawk Chocolate Sale.

